

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: FORSSMANN, et al.

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For: CADHERIN DERIVED GROWTH FACTOR AND ITS USE

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.47(a)

Assistant Commissioner
of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Petition is made, hereby, to accept the Declaration of Inventorship submitted concurrently herewith. The Declaration of Inventorship is executed by inventors Wolf-Georg Forssmann, Ludger Standker, Markus Meyer, Hans-Georg Opitz, and Lothar Kling, on their own behalf and on behalf of non-signing inventor Hossein Mostafavi. The reason for submitting the instant Petition is that the non-signing inventor could not be found or reached at his last known address -- Fraunhoferstr. 8, Hanover 30163, Germany, as set forth in the inventorship declaration -- after diligent effort, the facts of which are set forth in the attached declaration under 37 CFR 1.47, by the undersigned attorney of record.

Favorable action is requested.

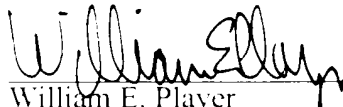
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